Board of Health Wednesday, August 4th, 2010 Penn Room

Members Attending: E. Kimball, J. Reber, K. Rearden

Others Attending: T. Butler, M. Loaiza, R. Natale

Call to Order

Dr. Kimball called the Board of Health meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Agenda and Minutes

Dr. Kimball called the Board's attention to the agenda for this meeting and the minutes from the June 1st and July 7th meeting. She submitted corrections to the July 7th minutes. The corrections are as follows:

- Correction to the spelling of Dr. Neubert's name
- A grammatical correction

Ms. Rearden moved, seconded by Mr. Reber, to approve the August agenda and the June and July meeting minutes as corrected. The motion was approved unanimously.

Health Officer's Report

Due to Dr. Hassel's departure a Health Officer's report was not given.

Dr. Kimball shared that she contacted Dr. Neubert via email and provided a copy of the conversation. After their discussion he expressed that he was willing to reapply. She stated that his work hours in the emergency room are from 12am until 8am.

Ms. Butler expressed her belief that the reason that this candidate did not work out was because of the need for a consistent schedule from the incoming Health Officer.

Dr. Kimball stated that during her conversation with Dr. Neubert he expressed concern regarding employee medical attention given by the Health Officer. She and Ms. Rearden expressed their disagreement with this job requirement due to liability and malpractice that the physician would be subject to.

Dr. Kimball stated that if this practice continues she will resign from the Board of Health. Ms. Rearden concurred. Mr. Natale explained that the Board of the Health does not have authority over the Health Officer nor the activities or duties given to this position.

Dr. Kimball requested a list of all the physicians listed on the City's Doctor Panel.

Ms. Rearden requested a copy of the Health Officer's job description.

Bernhart's Park

There is no update at this time.

Old Business

Tattoo Regulations

Dr. Kimball stated that she made changes to the draft ordinance and would like to review it with the rest of the Board.

Dr. Kimball asked Ms. Butler if the ordinance format has changed or if the draft is displaying the current format. Ms. Butler replied that the current format that the draft is in is not the official format. She went on to explain that the first page is an intro page that states the purpose of the ordinance.

Mr. Reber inquired if the State Bill for this legislation is still pending. Ms. Butler replied affirmatively.

Dr. Kimball inquired about the importance of using shall over will or may in the definitions. Ms. Butler replied that the difference is that "shall" will result in a mandatory action.

Dr. Kimball went on to discuss appropriate legal wording for this document. Ms. Rearden expressed the need to defer this to legal. Dr. Kimball agreed.

Mr. Natale entered the meeting at this time. Ms. Butler updated him.

Dr. Kimball inquired if piercing should be regulated. Mr. Natale replied that the number of establishments that pierce causes concern. This would increase the facilities that are regulated and the manpower to follow up would become an issue.

The Board then reviewed and amended the draft. The Board agreed to continue reviewing and amending the remaining sections at the September Board of Health Meeting. (Note: A copy of draft with changes will be available in the City Council office upon request)

Dr. Kimball announced the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 1st at 6pm.

Mr. Reber moved, seconded by Ms. Rearden, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm

Respectfully submitted by Maritza Loaiza, Admin Assist to City Clerk